

1 We claim:

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3 1. A device for printing a document, the device comprising:

4 a receiver unit configured to receive electronic data that represents a document to be

5 printed;

6 a payment authorization unit; and

7 a printer coupled to the receiver and the payment authorization unit, wherein the

8 printer prints the document upon indication from the payment authorization unit.

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10 2. The device, according to claim 1, further comprising:

11 a first document input element for receiving the electronic data that represents a  
12 document to be printed from a network.

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14 3. The device, according to claim 2, wherein the network is the Internet.

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16 4. The device, according to claim 1, further comprising:

17 a display and input device configured to provide information regarding the document  
18 and payment information.

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20 5. The device, according to claim 4, wherein the display and input device is a LCD  
21 touch screen.

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23 6. The device, according to claim 1, further comprising:

24 an output bin that contains the printed document printed by said printer.

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1    7.    The device, according to claim 1, further comprising:  
2                 a second document input element for receiving the electronic data that represents a  
3                 document to be printed from a portable media device.  
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5    8.    The device, according to claim 1, further comprising:  
6                 an input bin that allows the user to input predetermined types of paper to the printer.  
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8    9.    The device of claim 8, wherein the input bin is a cut sheet feeder.  
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10   10.   A device for printing a document, the device comprising:  
11                 a receiver means configured to receive electronic data that represents a document to  
12                 be printed;  
13                 a payment authorization means;  
14                 a memory means for storing the received electronic data that represents a document to  
15                 be printed; and  
16                 a printing means, coupled to the receiver means, payment authorization means, and  
17                 memory means for printing the document upon indication from the payment authorization  
18                 means.  
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20   11.   The device, according to claim 10, further comprising:  
21                 a first document input means for receiving the electronic data that represents a  
22                 document to be printed from a network.  
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24   12.   The device, according to claim 10, further comprising:

1           a second document input means for receiving said electronic data that represents a  
2    document to be printed from a portable media device.

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4    13.   The device, according to claim 10, further comprising:  
5           a display means and input device means for providing information regarding the  
6    document and payment information.

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8    14.   A method for printing a document, the method comprising the steps of:

9           retrieving electronic data representing a document to be printed;  
10          authorizing user payment information; and  
11          printing a copy of the retrieved electronic data based on the authorizing.

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13    15.   The method according to claim 14, wherein the said step of retrieving further  
14    comprises the step of:

15           retrieving the electronic data representing the document to be printed from a network.

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17    16.   The method according to claim 14, wherein the said step of retrieving further  
18    comprises the step of:  
19           retrieving the electronic data representing the document to be printed from a portable  
20    media device.

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22    17.   The method according to claim 14, further comprising the step of:  
23           receiving user information regarding the document and the payment information.

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1 18. The method according to claim 14, wherein the step of printing further comprises the  
2 step of:

3 accepting paper sheets from a first bin.

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5 19. The method according to claim 14, wherein said step of printing further comprises the  
6 step of:

7 outputting the printed document into a second bin.

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9 20. The method according to claim 15, wherein the network is the Internet.

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